

King Of The Wagon Freighters

Brazil Publicizes Teachers, Parana

Collectors are going to have to look at least a couple of times and use their imaginations in the bargain to make out the design of the stamp Brazil issued December 19 for the centenary of the founding of the State of Parana.



Pictured are coffee pickers with sieves of the just-picked berries on their heads and on their way to the drying compound. Also shown is a sprig of the coffee plant. This one is in two colors, black and orange with a value of 5c.

It is one of a set of two—the second is to have a first day in early January and have a denomination of 2c.

As might be suspected from the design, coffee is one of the chief products and exports of Parana. Curitiba is the capital city of the state and is considered one of the most modern cities in South America.

Other products of Parana are deal boards constructed from the famed pines of the region, nearly every kind of cereal, mate (a green tea) and items fabricated from plants.



Manoel F. da Motta, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, who supplied the above information advises that on December 14 his country issued a 60c brick red commemorative for the First National Congress of Elementary School Teachers.

The teachers had their get-together at Sao Salvador in the State of Bahia. The design is symbolic enough for it pictures a seated school marm holding an open book which she is exhibiting to a group of young children.

Essay-Proof Dinner For Brazier, Smeltzer

Plans for the Essay Proof Society banquet honoring Clarence Brazier and Chester Smeltzer have been completed. The affair will be held on Friday, January 29 at the New York Athletic Club.

John Britt, president of the Collectors Club of New York will be in charge of ceremonies.

Tickets are \$6.00 per person and may be secured from George Wray, 330 E. 43rd St., New York 17, N. Y. All interested collectors are welcome to attend.



STILL A GOING CONCERN. Stamps For The Wounded is still an active organization which attempts to keep the hospitalized veterans in the V.A. Hospitals around the nation supplied with stamps, covers, albums and other philatelic material. The group above are stamp addicts at the San Fernando Valley V.A. Hospital examining a recently received parcel from SFTW Headquarters, 230 W. 41st St., New York 36, N. Y. Mrs. Marion Holtz, third from left, is the regional director. At the right is Slim Pickens, Republic Pictures star, who accompanied Mrs. Holtz on her regular visit to the collectors. Contributions can be sent to the above address.

—Photo by Ernest Kehr

Vatican's St. Peter's Dome Considered One Of World's Architectural Masterpieces

William Wonneberger, Jr.

On April 23, 1953 the Vatican issued a new set of thirteen postage stamps honoring the Popes who played a prominent part in the building of Saint Peter's Basilica. Now, just a few months later, we have a set of two airmail stamps with a view of the dome as the motif.

It is very appropriate that this segment of the basilica has an issue of its own. Respectfully named Michelangelo's Dome, it is the most impressive architectural feat ever undertaken on the Italian peninsula and the most familiar sight in the City of Rome.

The first thought of erecting a crown over the basilica, honoring the first Pope dates back to 1503. It was then that Pope Julius II engaged the noted and renowned Bramante to design and build a new basilica to replace the one erected by Emperor Constantine that was falling to ruin.

Bramante's plan called for a dome to be erected in the center of the basilica directly over the Tomb of the Apostle. This plan never was placed in use as Bramante died long before one could be started.



One of the two new airmails.

The dome, or sometimes called the cupola, was not heard of again for almost half a century. During the reign of Pope Paul III, Michelangelo was appointed to supervise the planning and building of the new edifice. He was given complete authority to alter, remodel, or demolish any part of the basilica that did not conform precisely with his plan. A number of

changes were made, one of them the scrapping of Bramante's plans. When Michelangelo was questioned about his plans for the cupola he stated that he wanted to raise the Pantheon in the air. Before it could be completed the talented Michelangelo was called to his final reward at the age of 89.

After his death in 1563, nothing more was added to the dome for a period of twenty-four years. During this time, only the drum completed before his death, was erected leaving the work in progress below exposed to the varying hawks of the seasons and elements.

In 1588 Pope Sixtus V, the reigning pontiff, became impatient and ordered that the work on the cupola be finished. The order further specified that the plans and measurements laid down by the deceased genius were to be strictly adhered to. In the space of twenty-two months the famed dome was completed.

The exterior is a common sight to collectors of Vatican stamps as it has been shown in many of the stamp designs and on the stationery of the tiniest nation in the world. But the interior of the massive cupola is not as familiar.

It is supported by four immense pillars 16 feet square with a niche at the base of each sheltering a sixteen foot statue of a saint. The statues found in the niches are of Saint Longinus, the soldier who pierced Christ's side, the work of (Continued on page 8)

Alexander Majors Rose From Trail Walking Bullwhacker To Conestoga Field Marshal

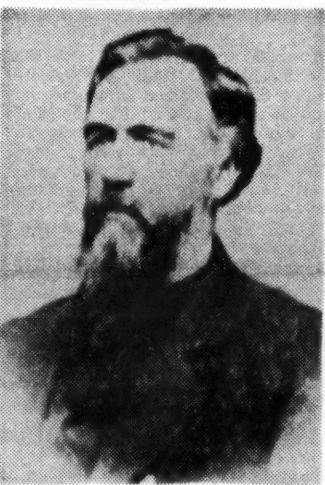
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Although William H. Russell's name is more prominently associated with the Pony Express than those of his partners it should be remembered that they contributed their full share toward it in every way. That romantic institution was far from being a one man concern. (Russell's biography appeared on page one of the January 4 Linn's Weekly Stamp News). The story about the second named member of the fabulous trio of Russell, Majors and Waddell, founders of the Pony Express, is given herewith.

Alexander Majors' origin and background were totally unlike those of William Russell. He was born near Franklin, Kentucky, deep in the heart of the "Old South," October 4, 1814.

Four years later his father, Benjamin, loaded the family into a covered wagon and set out for the farthest west frontier — Missouri. Crossing the Ohio River, probably at Louisville, they traveled across Southern Illinois and arrived upon the bank of the Mississippi River opposite St. Louis in the month of October, 1818. Here they were set across the river in a ferry boat operated by three jolly French-Canadians.



Alexander Majors

Proceeding on their way they crossed the Missouri River at St. Charles and plodded along the Boon's Lick Trail westward through mostly unsettled country. One evening when they were in camp for the night the mother stepped upon the wagon tongue to get some cooking utensils. Her foot slipped, she fell, and sustained injuries from which she never recovered.

At the site of future Glasgow, Missouri, they crossed the Missouri River again and spent the winter a few miles downstream in what was then known as "Cox's Bottom." Early in the spring of 1819 they again traveled westward along a route which would soon be known as the "Santa Fe Trail."

They crossed Big Sni-A-Bar Creek some thirty miles below the mouth of the Kaw River and halted on what was known as the Fort Osage Military Reservation where Benjamin erected a crude log shelter for his family. In 1820 the mother died from the effects of the fall from the wagon tongue.

It is significant that Alexander spent his boyhood and young manhood upon the newest frontier of the day. He became intimately acquainted with back-breaking toil in the clearing of land, splitting rails, erecting log cabins, and wrestling with the soil to produce a

crop. Unlike Russell he was a typical frontiersman and remained such to the end of his days.

On November 6, 1834 he married Miss Catherine Stalcup of Jackson County, Missouri, who was in every way qualified to help build a frontier home. They moved to Cass County, settled upon a farm on the headwaters of Grand River, and proceeded to make a star in life. The work was hard, and with an increasing family of daughters a sense of futility began to grow within him. With a limited income from farming he felt he could not clothe and educate them as he should.

At length he decided to supplement that income by trading with the Indians who lived just west of the Missouri border. Loading a wagon with whatever he thought might please the partly civilized Pottawatomies he drove to their reservation on the Kaw River in the summer of 1846. On that trip he did a lot of thinking about freighting on the Santa Fe Trail. That was natural for wagons had been rolling over it since 1822.

In the spring of 1848 he got a contract from somebody to transport merchandise to Santa Fe, invested in six wagons, seventy or eighty oxen to draw them, and wrote out a pledge for his six bullwhackers to sign. It read:

"While I am in the employ of A. Majors, I agree not to use profane language, not to get drunk, not to gamble, nor to treat the animals cruelly, and not to do anything incompatible with the conduct of a gentleman. I agree if I violate any of the above conditions to accept my discharge without any pay for my services."

In writing that pledge and requiring his employees to sign and keep it Majors was giving expression to his life-long, stern, Calvinistic Presbyterian sentiments. He read his Bible regularly, attended church when he could, and sought to practice Christian principles in all his relations with other men.

Bullwhacking in that day was a rough mode of life and many of those who followed it were uncouth, profane individuals who believed that maximum service from the patient oxen was to be gotten only by swearing and a generous application of the whip. Majors did not want that kind of men working for him, and they didn't. (Continued on page 8)



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Worthington, Ohio

Harry Wilson of California trading as H. E. Wilson and Co. is "in private life" a physical director who has led many California teams to victory and who took some of his stars to participate in the Olympics in Europe a few years back. He has been a heavy importer of stamps for years and is America's best-known packet retailer with packets from every country at prices to fit everyone's purse. While he does the buying overseas and plans general operations, Mrs. Wilson and a competent staff handle the selling end.

The Wilson firm is famous not only for its great number of country offerings and the size of individual country offerings—it has made a big hit with a plan whereby you can buy a packet of any size from a given country and return the stamps duplicating those you already have for full credit. This is done on any sized packet from any country so long as the difference you pay is \$2.50 or more. So far as I know, no other dealer in America has ever done this.

Coming to Denver, we found that Mrs. A. E. Pade had just closed her shop at 1009 Seventeenth St., and had moved her business back to the Pade home, 1324 S. Race St. from where it had been carried on for many years by her late husband, the "Kilo King". The Pade business, which was started four decades ago as a modest part-time venture, attained phenomenal proportions in the 30's and had to be moved away from the house if the family was to continue living there.

Everything philatelic, BUT NO COINS, as the Pade ad in the Yellow Pages section of the phone book used to stress, was carried and every collector arriving in Denver automatically went there. After Mr. Pade's death some years back, Tony Cifka was Mrs. Pade's chief associate and won an enviable place for himself in Rocky Mountain philately.

Wanting a less hectic life than running a stamp shop entails, Mrs. Pade decided some months ago to close the store and to return to the mail order field. She has one of the world's truly great Scandinavian stocks and will continue to feature mixtures by weight, the house specialty for more than 25 years. She still has a huge general stock and has just issued a very attractive list covering mint and used singles.

As for Tony, a Canadian educated in the USA and in Czechoslovakia and himself a distinguished Czechoslovakian specialist, he and Royal Warren have now opened a ground-floor shop bearing the name Old West Stamp Shop at 1827 Glenarm Place, right in the heart of things. Although just opening up when we called, they obviously have a very choice general stock including just about everything in stamps and full lines of albums and accessories. Best of luck to them in the new venture!

Had a grand time at the Bill Bloss's at their comfortable home in Los Angeles where they've lived for a quarter of a century and have played host and hostess to most of the visiting brethren of stampdom. George has known Bill since they were both boys out in the middle west and I've known both him and her for quite some time now.

Bill and Nina Bloss handle the stamps of the world but they are specialists in South and Central American issues and have wonderful holdings in that field. They have a fine lot of country books just made up for the spring trade and specialize in handling want lists in the 2c to \$1 catalog value range though they can supply many of the higher-priced items

SPECIAL EDITIONS

Various dealers will want to time some of their advertising to appear in conjunction with the special editions of Linn's Weekly Stamp News sponsored by different specialist groups. These editions are always the last one of each month and contain a splendid amount of information about the particular country or specialty.

The next four editions of a special nature are as follows:—
January 25—AMERPO
February 22—Philatelic Library Assn.

March 22—Collectors of Religion on Stamp Society.

April 26—International Society of Japanese Philatelists.

Further inquiries can be directed to this paper by interested dealers.

Clubs or societies agreeable to sponsoring a special edition can get the details on request.

as well.

There are lots of tough items in the 15c-25c class which dealers just don't seem to have but the Blosses, who are heavy direct importers, do have them. They also have a dandy line of South and Central American packets, all made to order from their regular stock.

Bill used to edit the stamp column in a Los Angeles paper until paper scarcity during the war forced the elimination of many features. He has written extensively for the philatelic press for many years and is just now doing an exceedingly interesting serial covering his 50 years in the stamp trade for Lucius Jackson's "Stamp Wholesaler", the world's leading trade journal.

Quite a few of our USA envelopes are badly in need of reprinting, since present day catalog values, whatever that is supposed to mean, bear no relation to actual market values. Take the 1887-1894 issues, for example. U-318 and U-319, the die 3, 2c greens on white and amber commonly sold as a pair. They "list" \$22.50 but bring \$20 very readily almost anywhere. Similarly, the six paper varieties of the 30c, U-336 through U-341, listing \$18.50—collectors think themselves lucky to get them under \$16.

As for the six 90c, U-342 through U-347, Scotting \$30.50, grab 'em if you can find 'em under \$30. Similarly, the 1916 3c carmine errors dies 1 and 5, listing at \$8, are bringing \$7.50 to full catalog the country over. There's a big postal stationery boom just around the corner and the Scott prices, many of which haven't budged in years, will suddenly soar skyward one of these days.

There has been an awful lot of howling about the Coronations. It appears that several wholesalers abroad failed to include the New Hebrides set since the New Hebrides Islands constitute a condominium and are not strictly speaking a British possession. But the stamps issued for use in the British post offices there certainly belong in any complete Coronation set.

It's a little different with the Herm and Lundy issues—they're strictly locals with no power to provide International postal service and, while they can indeed be included, don't strictly belong there.

We've now all heard of the Minto Hinge and the Trupel Hinge, both imported from Europe, designed to peel perfectly off mint stamps and selling in envelopes of 200 and 250 each respectively at around 35c per unit. Now comes a dry peelable, adhesive, nonmarking hinge just put onto the world market from New Zealand of all places—250 for 35c. So far as I know, there is as yet no American agent.

L. Aarons and Son, Ltd., Britain's old line wholesale house is offering the recent Shrub Oak, N. Y. triangular 2c local to the trade at 2 shillings (28c) per dozen mint, a bit over 10 percent above face. They come to only 5 percent over face per 100.

This issue has been handled in a

very dignified manner, with no imperfs, part perfs, missing frames, inverted centers and the like reaching the market. As yet, the European press has been silent on Walter Brink's Genesee Junction Wis. 10c local and, so far as I know, no wholesale houses here or overseas are carrying it.

Early covers from both bid fair to become good property. Now why doesn't some enterprising firm avail itself of these services, particularly the cheap 2c one, to mail out its catalogs or auction lists since sending them through the United Nations post office has become commonplace?

The 2½d 1922-1929 Montserrat comes in an interesting and scarce variety, the head in deep violet blue and the value tablet in bright blue. Very few appear to have been found and they are almost never seen.

Had a nice visit at Karl Meghrig's new business place in Los Angeles. He is the "western" one of the M. Meghrig and Sons wholesale organization and recently purchased and reconstructed the building where he's now located. It has a frontage of four store widths and over 6000 square feet of space, which is really needed, for he has just been granted the exclusive far-western franchise for the complete H. E. Harris and Co. line which faces its stiffest competition in the country out on the coast with the local Dansco line of albums and stockbooks etc., and Joe Goldberg, Walter Gray and Walter Hirsh all offering superior lines of packets.

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Peanut Dealers

Collectors who are so ready to make complaints against dealers should realize that some of the dealers have a very tough time of it themselves in trying to carry on in a legitimate manner. There has just come to our attention a situation between a large and highly reputable dealer in Spain, a man whom we have corresponded with and known for a high class reputable dealer for a number of years. Here in America and perhaps in other countries of the world also, there are a large number of what have been called bedroom dealers or peanut dealers. Their entire capital as well as their stock in trade is no more than sufficient for a big bag of peanuts. It is true that some of these dealers who start in this manner eventually grow into large-scale dealers and become well known names in stamp circles in future years, but in the making they are a headache to the legitimate wholesaler who is ever ready and anxious to enlarge his field and make new customers; for, at wholesale the profit for the wholesaler is very close and the business can only be successful due to a large volume of business. Thus, the wholesaler of the type we are talking about is ever ready to help out any dealer who will carry on business with him and meet his small accounts promptly. However it is to be regretted that so few of these small dealers know anything about foreign exchange and less about business practices. In this case we have a situation where this dealer in Spain had sent at the solicitation of the dealer a small selection of new Spanish material which amounted to 135 Pesetas on which he charged the dealer a commission of 6.75 Pesetas, a mere 5% and which amounts to a very small sum in American CENTS. Also with the consignment was a FDC of one of the sets with a face value of 3.40 Pesetas on which a price of 6 Pesetas was charged and without any additional commission. Postage cost by Air Mail was 12.90 Pesetas. Imagine the surprise of the dealer in Spain when this consignment was returned to him with an irate letter saying . . .



GEORGE W. LINN

"I cannot possibly accept the stamps and F.D.C. that you sent me. By the time I pay the postage and costs, the stamps cost me more than if I were to buy them from a dealer here! I cannot mark them up and sell them. The price is absurd! Please do not bother me with any more items as I can see you are trying to take advantage of the Americans! We are not fools!"

Now the facts of the matter are that the stamps were priced to the dealer at face plus 5% which is indeed a low enough commission for any wholesaler. Also the facts are that this dealer could not buy the stamps from a dealer here in America at anything like the price they cost him unless someone has a means of getting his stamps for nothing. Facts of the matter are, perhaps, that the dealer may have been a bit short of having \$4.12 to pay for the merchandise and thus had to act as he did.

Thus we have to refer to this man as one of the Peanut dealers. Only remedy for such business on the part of the wholesaler is to learn in advance just how reliable is the man to whom he consigns stamps. This example is cited to show that all the complaining that is done by collectors does not cover the ills of the trade. The legitimate dealers also have their share of trouble with the embryo dealers and the only way they can avoid such instances is to make full investigation in advance.

Thanks To All

Here in Howey-in-the-Hills, Florida, our first Christmas was one of the brightest we have had for many years. Always we receive a large number of greetings from readers all over the country and this year was no exception, perhaps the number was even larger although we have never attempted to check in that manner. We do appreciate all of them however and our best wishes go back to all of you in return. Perhaps we might mention the one most clever and intriguing of the lot, a hand painted envelope with the Greetings in the form of a cachet on the front and with a large "UN Human Rights" in the upper left corner. This cover was mailed as a FDC from the United Nations in New York with the new 3c and 5c UN stamps and came from our good friend Herman R. Maul of Columbus, Ohio. Thanks again to all of you.

Silly Requests

A collector in Fort Worth, Texas sends us a copy of a letter addressed to The Honorable Arthur E. Summerfield, Postmaster General, in which this collector points out that the \$1.00 Prexy with watermark should be issued as were the Farley stamps, so all collectors could have one.

Such requests are ridiculous and without thought on the part of those who make them. The Farleys were fraudulently turned loose in the first place and deserved the treatment they got, but even that could have been avoided if our catalog publishers had been as bright as they should have been and refused to recognize the things as anything other than printers' waste or printers' proofs.

However the \$1.00 Prexy is a legitimate error and a legitimate find and to the finder belong the spoils. To do any other way would be to take away from our hobby one of its greatest thrills, a real find.

Write Your Congressman

Now that Congress is in session again in Washington, one of the bills before it will concern an advance in postage rates, chiefly second class rates on your newspapers and magazines. For the part of the publishers, they all have an out, they can raise subscription rates and let you bear the burden of that increase if made, but if that has to be done a lot of you will do with less reading matter. Publications will suffer for lack of subscribers, which means lack of advertising support and that means a poorer publication in every way. The whole original idea of low rates to newspapers and magazines was to make it possible for the average American home to have as many newspapers and magazines as they could wish for reading, entertaining and education along many lines. If this idea is wrecked by too high postal rates you as individuals will have to suffer. A subsidy for the press is necessary to maintain a press equal to what we have enjoyed and far greater than any other country enjoys. It is what has helped make America great and its sabotage would be felt by more people than a raise in income tax rates. An economic and low price for postal service is the one thing that can benefit more people than any other thing the Government can do for you. Therefore, write your Congressman and put in your three cents worth of objection before it costs you four cents to do it.

SMILEATELICS....Bob Rieker



"Well! For a change I think we'll be able to watch an evening of television with the Maxwells without any talk of stamps!"

Prinet Catalog For Luxembourg Stamps

A reference book devoted strictly to one subject is the "Prinet Illustrated Catalog for Luxembourg—1954". Only stamps and philatelic listings of this tiny independent nation are considered, beginning with the imperf No. 1 of 1852 and continuing right through to the Aspetl commem of September 1953. Language of the text is French.

There is little in the way of specialized treatment to be found in this catalog, but it does have specialized subjects departmented such as the Occupations, souvenir sheets, officials, postage dues, precancels, telegraphs and sheetlets.

There are 48 pages with card covers plentifully illustrated in a pocket-size edition. Selling price is 50c from Jacob Habib, 1407 Sheridan Ave., New York 56, N.Y.

Minkus Publications Announces Supplements

Minkus Publications, Inc., 116 W. 32nd St., New York 1, N.Y. has announced that supplements for four of their loose leaf albums are now available through them at the address above or at various dealers. Purchases can be made at the Gimbel Stamp Departments in New York, Milwaukee and Philadelphia; Marshall Field & Co. in Chicago; Kaufmann's at Pittsburgh; Rich's in Atlanta.

Supplements are for the All American, American Commemorative, American Plate Block and the 1953 Master Global. It is also possible to get the full albums of all the above at the places named.

1954 STAMP PROGRAM

Jan. 4 — Columbia University 3c, New York, N. Y. (50 per pane, 110 million).

1953 STAMP PROGRAM

1017—National Guard 3c, Washington, D. C. February 23.

1018—Ohio Sesqui 3c, Chillicothe, Ohio, March 2.

1019 — Washington Territorial 3c, Olympia, Wash., March 2.

1020—Louisiana Purchase, St. Louis, Mo., April 30.

C47—Aviation 6c, Dayton, Ohio, May 29.

1021 — Commodore Perry 5c, Washington, D. C., July 14.

1022 — Bar Asso. 3c, Boston, Mass., August 24.

1023—Sagamore Mill 3c, Oyster Bay, N. Y. September 14.

1024 — Future Farmers 3c, Kansas City, Mo., October 13.

1025 — Trucking Industry 3c, Los Angeles, Calif. October 27.

1026 — Gen. Patton 3c, Fort Knox, Ky. November 11.

1027—NYC 300 Years 3c, New York, N. Y. November 20.

1028 — Gadsden Purchase 3c, Tucson, Ariz., December 30.

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BY CARL P. RUETH

It is rather amusing to see the
huffing and puffing some philatelic
editors and writers are putting
forth following the announcement
the Post Office Department is play-
ing with the idea of producing
stamps by photogravure. Just as
if they discovered something mo-
mentous destined to rock the world.
The news is definitely not fresh.
As long ago as late October at the
Trans-Mississippi Philatelic Soci-
ety Convention at Davenport, Iowa,
Robert E. Fellers, Head of the
Philatelic Division of the Post Of-
fice Department, stated that the
POD was considering the process.
I reported that to you and at the
same time stated a preference for
the engraved stamps—two months
ago.

1. Admiral David G. Farragut
was pictured on the 3c Navy stamp
of 1937. On what value stamp, and
at what time did he first appear
on a U. S. issue?

2. Who was the first recognizable
woman to appear on a stamp of the
regular postage series, and when?

I have just had the first look at
the Gadsden Purchase commem-
—the color is an attractive one. It
came on a cover cancelled the first
day of issue, December 30, from
R. L. Scott. It so happens that Mr.
Scott's post office is far removed
from Tucson, Arizona where the of-
ficial first day cancellation was
applied.

As pointed out here on other oc-
casions, such first day covers from
other than the officially designated
city are curiosities only and have
no extra value. It was agreed
long ago by the FDC Catalog mak-
ers that only covers cancelled at
the official city on the first day
would have any standing.

Another recurring question comes
from those who have what it takes
to buy plate blocks of the dollar
values of the current Presidential
regular postage series. They are
surprised to find two plate numbers
where usually only one is found.
Have they got a rarity, they want
to know.

They haven't because that is the
only way they come. Each of these
dollar stamps (\$1, \$2 and \$5) are
in two colors. One plate number
is in the same color as that part
of the design which its plate prints,
and the other likewise.

These two-color items are made
by two separate passings of the
paper through the flat bed press to
get an impression of each part of
the design. Since a plate is re-
quired for each part, it therefore
is necessary to have two different
plates for the job, and a different
number for each.

THANKS FOR THE COVERS
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Stratford, Conn.; Pierre A. Cubells,
Soissons, France; Mrs. Hettie M.
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H. K. Finne, Indianapolis, Ind.;
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Edwin G. Fitzgerald, Phoenix,
Ariz.

Now and again some reader
wants to know why we do not list
the plate numbers assigned to a
forthcoming stamp at the time the
Post Office Department makes the
announcement about it. We don't,
nor do other publications, because
this information has not been re-
leased.

I think it would be a distinct
added informational service if
when the POD releases the design
of a new stamp several weeks be-
fore its actual issuance, the plate
numbers would be included. I am
sure they would be quite willing to
do this, and never have in the past,
because no one has suggested it.

Let's see what happens.

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submitted as news matter when
the POD makes its monthly report

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B30-36 13.00 B74 .45 B92-94 .90
B37-43 17.50 B75 .55 B95 .15
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your selections be made from
memory, or from a newspaper pic-
ture, or be swayed by prejudices
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from them.

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facsimile on the back of a postal
card, or just write your selections
in each category on a card or note
and mail them in.

1. The \$1 of June 5, 1903.
2. Martha Washington on the 8c
of December 6, 1902.

Scott's \$1 British America Catalogue

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cations have brought forth a Brit-
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"Scott's Dollar British America
Stamp Catalogue" is more than a
reprint of the British America
sections of Scott's 1954 Standard
Catalogue. It also incorporates in
their proper places the recent is-
sues which had been listed in the
Addenda of the "Standard" Vol. I,
and in the first Supplement
(Scott's Chronicle).

"B.N.A." collectors will find this
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EVERYTHING HAS ITS' MARKET

That is as true a statement as was ever
written but only if you can find the
market. A precancel dealer is not usually
the logical buyer for stampless covers nor
is a British dealer usually the logical
buyer for a collection of Christmas Seals.
The logical buyer is the one who is in the
middle of the market having buyers for
everything philatelic from first day covers
to last day covers, from mint United
States plate blocks to just used blocks,
from a collection of plated varieties to ten
million used bundled commemoratives.

Who is he? As modestly as possible we
say he is us right here at friendly Har-
veys Lake. He is us because we handle
a greater variety of philatelic material
in small and large units yearly than most
folks see in a lifetime. Our weekly lists
offering hundreds of individual pieces,
accumulations, whole and part collections
are eagerly awaited by thousands of
dealers and those who are always seeking
unusual items.

When the time is ripe for you to sell you
should deal with the firm that can use
everything in your lot no matter how dis-
tasteful others may be of certain sections
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it is now or later to the firm that can
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to supply first day covers of the
new stamps as they are issued.

In recent months the Association
has also prepared maximum cards
at the insistent request of inter-
ested persons. At the moment maxi-
mum cards and first day covers
from late 1952 on can be obtained.

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bum pages and collection sheets,
at cost, and various pieces of
philatelic literature in English
about Japanese issues.

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the covers, maximums, literature
and album pages to be purchased.
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rected to the Japanese Postal Cul-
tural Asso., c/o Postal Bureau,
Ministry of Posts, Azabu P. O.,
Tokyo, Japan.

Another Breather Given H.P.O. Route

In the December 28 edition it
was announced that the JACK &
GRENADA, H. P. O. (Jackson,
Tenn. and Grenada, Miss.) estab-
lished December 5, 1949 would be
discontinued January 3 unless
granted another reprieve.

Another month of life has been
granted by the Post Office De-
partment to this route the termina-
tion date now having been made
February 3, and perhaps later.

Readers who have placed covers
in the hands of the postal offi-
cials for servicing on the last day
should take note of the new date
and not write to the persons or
offices concerned. Covers will be
returned in due time when the
actual stoppage of operation takes
place.

Virgil J. Geary, secretary of the
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792	795	798	799	800	801	802
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853	859	900	901	905	907	908
934	935	936	937	938	940	941
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955	956	957	959	961	962	963
C23	C26	C26	C32	C33	C35	E15
J80	J81	J82	J84	J85	J86	R16
R163	R164	R28	R229	R332	R334	R237
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603	604	605	606	636	694	695
714	717	718	723	727	729	740
818	819	823	829	835	838	846
855	856	857	858	859	860	861
869	870	871	874	875	876	879
885	886	889	891	895	897	898
922	923	924	925	926	931	C12
J77	J79	R207	R231	R235	R236	R238
R240	R241	R321	R346	R371	R41	R35
RD5	RD15	RD16	RD3	RD45	RD46	RD48
RD49	RD54	RD55	RD56	RD58	RD59	RD59
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752	780	793	822	826	832	836
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4th Holiday	52-54	.15	.19	.85	.35
Menora	55	1.15	1.25	5.00	1.10
4th Coin	56-61	.27	.33	1.35	.60
1952 Independence	62-64	.30	.40	1.60	.40
Zion	65	.28	.30	1.35	.35
5th Holiday	66-68	.48	.55	2.25	.60
Weismann	70-71	.18	.22	.90	.35
Billu	72	.14	.17	.80	.30
1953 Independence	73	.13	.17	.90	.30
Maimonides	74	.08	.11	.50	.15
6th Holiday	75-77	.17	.24	.90	.37
1953 Maccabiah	78	.00	.14	.50	.15
Desert Exhibit	79	.14	.17	.70	.35
New Coins	80-83	.27	.30	1.50	.30
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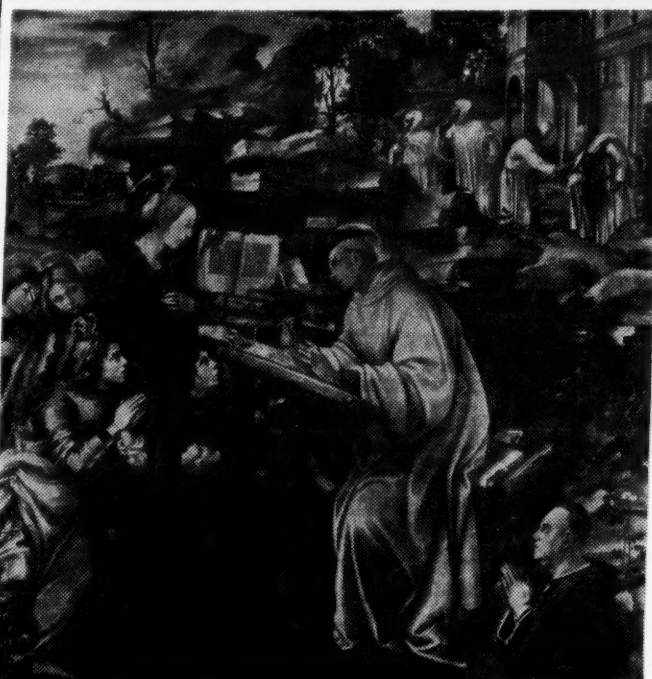
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SOURCE OF VATICAN DESIGN. On November 11 the Vatican issued a set of two stamps in honor of St. Bernard's 800th anniversary. The bi-colored design common to each stamp was adapted from a painting by F. Lippi reproduced on the maximum card shown above. Edmondo Pizzi was the artist who adapted this design to the stamp, tied to the card at the lower right with a first day cancellation. It can be seen how much of the original painting was used. The title of the artwork is "The Virgin Appearing To St. Bernard." William Wonneberger, Jr., 67 Jefferson St., Stratford, Conn. sent the above.

France Announces Four New Airmails

January 18 is the date France has selected to give four new airmails a first day send-off, according to Gimbels Stamp Department of New York City. All are high denominations ranging from



100fr to 1000fr. Two of them picture commercial airplanes, two fighter planes.

P. Lengelle designed all of them. The engraver and design of the four are: 100fr Mystere IV plane by Dufresne; 200fr Noratlas, by Piel; 500fr Magister, by Gandon; 1000fr Provence, by Serres.



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Jan. 20—Earl P. Apfelbaum, 1416 S. Penn Sq., Philadelphia 2, Pa. U. S., General Foreign, Dealer Lots.

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They were painted by four noted nature artists, Roger Tory Peterson, the Federation's art director and best known for his illustrated "field Guide to the Birds," contributed nine of the birds, ranging from the lordly Canada goose and the popular bobwhite to the colorful scarlet tanager. He also painted the butterfly and some of the wild flowers.

The five mammals—black bear, walrus, gray fox, wood rat and coati—were painted by Francis Lee Jaques, for many years staff artist of the American Museum of Natural History. Jaques also contributed the fishes, five of the birds and the trees.

Some of the wild flowers were done by Leslie Ragan, one of America's foremost travel-poster artists. Michael Bevans, youthful New Jersey illustrator and a newcomer among the Wildlife Stamp artists, contributed the rattlesnake and tree frog.

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The Saar chose a pitch black color for a semipostal stamp issued recently with a 30fr plus 10fr denomination. Funds raised by the surtax will be devoted to the abbey at Tholey.



Having an appeal to Religion on Stamps collectors, the design pictures St. Benedict giving his blessing to St. Maurus at the time of the latter's departure to create other monasteries for the Benedictine Order.

It was adapted from a mural located in the Monte Casino Abbey in Italy.

Reference Books For U. S. Foreign

Two informative reference books have just been released by Van Dahl Publications, P. O. Box 493, Albany, Oregon one of which will please the general collector and the other designed for the U. S. fan who wants to know more statistically about the stamps he has in his album.

"The Philatelic Informant" is the name of the first—it was compiled by Alma McLing. It tells how to get mint stamps at face from the world's philatelic agencies, how to get first day covers in foreign places, gives addresses of leading philatelic groups, and some data for the U. S. collector. The selling price is 35c.

"Essential Information About United States Commemorative Issues, 1943-1952" contains just that. It was compiled by William W. Wylie and is sold for one dollar. Data tells the reason for the commem, when issued, the quantities of first day covers, source of design and the designer, the engraver and a mechanical description of the design.

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600-33	.11	.27	6N1-13	1.50	.20	10N49-50	.09	.10
634-61	.75	.50	7N1-13	.05	.15	10N51-2	.15	.15
662-4	.37	.20	8N1-13	.12	.12	10N54-7	.55	.57
664a	.59	.83	9N1-13	.05	.75	10N58-67	1.10	
665-6	.20	.17	10N1-13	.75	.97	10N70	.06	.06
667-3	.30	.30	11N1-13	.05	.90	10N71-4	.15	.15
670-85	1.95	.50	12N1-13	.80	1.20	10N75	.65	.17
686	.15	.12	13N1-13	1.15	.50	10N78-9	.15	.15
687	.04	.03	14N1-13	.08	.18	10N82-4	1.20	.19
688	.12	.10	15N1-13	1.70	.28	10N85-8	.33	.19
689	.08	.05	16N1-13	2.40	3.00	10N92-3	.25	.15
690	.09	.07	17N1-13	.48	.75	10N94-5	.14	.14
691	.09	.07	18N1-13	.30	.39	10N96-7	.14	.05
692	.05	.03	19N1-13	.45	.60	10N100-2	.10	.10
693	.12	.11	20N1-13	.10	.18	10N103-6	.10	.10
694	.08	.06	21N1-13	1.70	.28	10N115	.18	.10
695	.12	.10	22N1-13	1.45	.50	10N119a	.26	.26
696	.05	.04	23N1-13	.56	.56	10N116-7	.08	.08
697	.05	.04	24N1-13	.75	.75	10N118-9	.35	.25
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B309	.10	.10	32N1-13	.13	.13	10N6-10	.18	.15
B310-13	.45	.38	33N1-13	.13	.13	10N11-13	1.40	1.40
B314-15	.24	.24	34N1-13	2.50	.12	10N12-3	.12	.12
B316-17	.25	.24	35N1-13	.56	.40	10N17-20	.25	.14
B318-19	.18	.18	36N1-13	.13	.10	10N22-25	.14	.14
B320-23	.28	.25	37N1-13	.18	.18			
B324	.08	.10	38N1-13	.75	.56			
B325-6	.15	.15	39N1-13	.75	.90			
B327-30	.37	.25	40N1-13	.75	.90			
B331	.08	.08	41N1-13	.32	.30			
3N1-20	.05	.05	42N1-13	.17	.17			
3N2a-13a	.04	.15	43N1-13	.40	.40			
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807 3c	.15	.01	823 18c	1.40	.04
808 4c	.24	.02	824 19c	1.60	.09
809 4 1/2c	.65	.03	825 20c	.90	.02
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Death Summons

Mrs. Hugh M. Clark

Mrs. Hugh M. Clark, died December 22 at the Clark home in La Jolla, Calif. unexpectedly. She, for many years, was co-editor with her husband Hugh of the Scott Catalogs, Mr. Clark being the former owner of the Scott Stamp & Coin Co., and later president of Scott Publications, Inc. catalog publishers.

Mrs. Clark was considered an expert on philatelic nomenclature. As a collector she was very much interested in stamps which pictured various styles of women's head-dress, and probably had one of the world's largest collections based on that theme.

The Clarks had moved to California about ten years ago.

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The "Museum" stamp bourse is staged the third Saturday of each month at the National Philatelic Museum, Philadelphia from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. There is no admission charge to visitors. The current session is to be held in connection with the annual SEPAD exhibition January 15 to 17. The next bourse will be a one-day affair on February 20.

Inspectors Catch Mail Robbers

Alert United States postal inspectors, members of the country's oldest detective bureau, once again worked quietly and efficiently behind the scenes protecting the excessively large volume of holiday mail, according to Postmaster General Arthur E. Sumnerfield.

Post Office inspectors play a vital year-round role in assuring the safe delivery of the United States mail which Americans take for granted. They also have jurisdiction over all mail offenses such as frauds, forgeries, and embezzlements.

The Inspection Service is a highly mobile and coordinated force, operating directly from its Washington Headquarters. Reporting directly to the Postmaster General through the Chief Post Office Inspector, it is in touch with all developments affecting the mails on a 24-hour basis.

The increasing activity of Post Office inspectors reflect certain significant trends prevalent currently in criminal activity. More arrests have been made by Post Office inspectors for the theft of the mails from home and apartment mail receptacles during the past four months than in any comparable period on record.

Since September 1953, on a nationwide basis, 759 individuals have been arrested for the theft of letters containing checks and other negotiable instruments. To meet this alarming increase in attempted theft of the mails the Inspection Service has expanded its nationwide coordinated facilities.

Typical solutions, proving it's dynamite to tamper with the U.S. mails, are reflected in reports of cases recently solved in Chicago, Illinois and Las Vegas, Nevada.

In Chicago, an investigation extending over several months disclosed two conspiracies involving three letter carriers who supplied letters containing government and other checks to outsiders and shared in the proceeds of the forged checks.

The two conspiracies, while identical in operation, were separate and distinct. One ring, consisting of ten members was furnished with checks by two carriers. The other ring consisted of fifteen members, who were supplied with checks by a third carrier. Members of the rings functioned in various capacities, some as a mail drop-off for the carriers; others in furnishing or counterfeiting identification cards; and others as receivers or passers of the checks. The three carriers have been removed. All 28 offenders were indicted by a Federal Grand Jury on December 4. Information as to the exact number of checks stolen and forged is not available, but the number is estimated to be over 200.

One Alexander J. Woykovsky was taken into custody at Las Vegas, Nevada, after nationwide coordinated efforts to apprehend him for forging checks stolen from apartment house mail boxes. He made a seven-page confession listing operations in a number of the bigger cities across the continent from Boston to San Francisco.

Woykovsky estimated he got about \$21,000 from passing stolen checks since June 1953 while working alone. Prior to that he had operated with three other men who were arrested previously. In approximately 3 months the four men realized about \$8,000. Woykovsky stated he invariably cashed all types of checks in banks, using identification prepared on cards purchased by the hundreds in five-and-ten-cent stores.

Apprehension resulted from the alertness of a deputy sheriff who recognized a license plate inspectors had learned the offender was using. The offender threatened the deputy with a concealed

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VATICAN
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Above each statue an appropriate relic is preserved in a loggia of each saint; the spear that pierced the Savior's side, a portion of the True Cross, the sudarium of St. Veronica, and the head of St. Andrew.

Above each of the statues we find a mosaic of each of the four Evangelists in gigantic size. Still higher is a frieze with a blue background bearing six foot mosaic letters that read "TU ES PETRUS ET SUPER HANC PETRAM AEDIFICABO ECCLESIAM MEAM ET TIBI DABO CLAVES REGNI CAELORUM" (Thou art Peter and upon this rock I will build My Church and to thee I will give the Keys to the Kingdom of Heaven).

Above the frieze are the sixteen ribs of the vaulting of the dome each made of gilded stucco. Between the ribs are six bands of mosaics depicting Our Lord, His Holy Mother, the Apostles and Heavenly Court, and God the Father. Just where the lantern begins is the inscription, "ST. PETRI GLORIAE SIXTUS PP. V. A. M. D. XC. PONTIF. V." (To the glory of St. Peter, Sixtus V Pope in the year 1590, the 5th of his Pontificate).

It is possible to gain a better view of the exterior of the cupola itself by ascending to the roof of the basilica. The most interesting way of making this climb is by the spiral staircase that winds its way to the top. Along the stairway are marble slabs testifying to the attempts made by royalty to climb the stairs, though not all have made it to the top.

Atop the basilica's roof there are shops, a photographer's studio, a post office, and the workrooms of the workers of Saint Peter's. To gain entrance to the cupola, there are two staircases that lead from the roof to the dome. Inside the two shells of the cupola is a gradual ascending corridor that leads to the upper part of the dome.

To best understand the two shells of the dome suppose we cut a lemon in half and hollow out the two skins. If we were to place one skin on a table and the second half over it with a small space between we would have a very good idea of how the two shells of the dome are erected.

The corridor leads to the first gallery where access may be obtained by climbing a short flight of stairs. The first gallery affords a wonderful view of the inside of the basilica directly below the cupola. By walking another spiral staircase and a narrow straight flight of stairs it is possible to reach the second gallery at the base of the buttresses. From here a beautiful view of the Vatican and surrounding City of Rome may be had.

It is possible to go still higher. By means of an iron staircase a visitor can climb to the ball at the top of the dome itself. This ball appears very small in pictures but it is capable of holding sixteen persons at a time. Around the outside of the ball winds an iron ladder leading to base of the cross. Many stories have been told of the great height of the dome but they are little more than statements of dimensions. Perhaps we can visualize the towering feat if we think of it as being higher above the ground than two Statues of Liberty placed one on top of the other.

From the pavement below to the top of the cross is a distance of 452 feet. The dome rises 300 feet over the roof of the basilica and has a diameter of 137 feet 6 inches, just five feet less than the diameter of the Pantheon with which Michelangelo wished to crown the basilica. The circumference of the drum of the dome is 430 feet.

This tribute to the first apostle is topped by a cross and orb. The orb has an inside diameter of 8 feet with the cross reaching another 16 feet towards the heavens.

The stamp shown with this story is one of two of the same design, 500 and 1000 Lire, issued by the Vatican Postal Administration on August 10, 1953. The design is the work of Prof. Edmondo Pizzi, a newcomer to philately.

Printing was from engraved plates on paper watermarked with the Crossed Keys in panes of 40 stamps by M. Colombati, Inc.

For its one definitive issue of stamps in 1894, Ste. Marie de Madagascar used the general French Colonial "Navigation & Commerce" design.



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ALBUMS

Precancel collectors almost totally use a loose leaf album to house their collections. There have been pages printed by various publishers with squares for from one to possibly 36 spaces per page. At one time pages were laid out for the 1922-38 issue for sets up to and including the dollar value. The spaces were printed the horizontal way for the 17c values and up. However these were not too successful, nor were any other combination pages.

The pages still most popular are the faint quad-lined pages or the ones full up with spaces. Even blank pages and the collector drawing in his own squares are rather popular.

The one attempt at printing a Bureau album was a success but because of the failure of the Post Office Department to follow its policy there can be no stable printed album for the Presidential series. For the Bureau issues prior to the Prexies a very nice album, both bound and in loose leaf form was released. This was one thing that gave Bureau prints such a boost in the early forties. The album was copyrighted in 1939, so was well on the market by 1940.

After the Presidential series was well under way there was a change to a narrower spacing of the lines and it was thought for a time that a complete set of sheets for the WIDE type Presidentials would be a possibility. But the fact that the coil stamps did not change in spacing cancelled this possibility.

The coils being released now are of WIDE type. (Except for minor variations). So only after the Presidential series is past completely can a Presidential album be published. Here too though most collectors are well content to put their Bureaus on blank pages of some type.



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April 2, 3—Ye Olde King's Highway Stamp Club, Stamford, Conn.

April 10, 11—Tri-State Federation of Stamp Clubs, Terre Haute House, Terre Haute, Ind., Wabash Valley Stamp Club hosts.

ALEXANDER MAJORS
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There were men of the type he wanted, to be had — men of high moral character who felt like Majors did about it. The other kind worked for somebody else. That there was much sound, common sense in employing the kind of men he wanted none can deny.

His 1848 trip to Santa Fe, which began three months late on August 10, was made in ninety-two days, the quickest on record. In 1849 he again made the trip and in 1850 he used ten wagons and about 130 oxen. Upon his return in the fall he learned that the quartermaster at Fort Leavenworth had twenty loads of supplies he wished to forward to Fort McKay on the Arkansas River near present Dodge City, Kansas. Although it was long past the time for starting he took the contract, delivered the goods in first class condition, paused long enough to haul logs a distance of twenty-five miles to complete the Fort, and was back home before the winter storms descended upon the prairies. This was his first experience with military freighting.

The contract he got in 1851 required twenty-five wagons and almost 300 oxen. In the spring of 1852 he sold his oxen to California emigrants, corralled his wagons, and remained at home.

When the year 1853 rolled around he bought new oxen and made another trip to Santa Fe with private goods. As in 1850 he made a second trip to Fort Union with military supplies with 100 wagons, 1200 oxen, and 120 men. This was

a very good showing for a man who six years before had trudged his lonely way to the Pottawatomie Indian Reservation with one wagon and a dozen oxen. He had made a pile of money and could clothe and educate his daughters with the best of them.

Of all the men engaged in the freighting business in the latter 1850's none were better qualified for it in every way than Alexander Majors. All his life he had worked oxen in the forest, field, and on the road. He knew them from long intimacy, loved them, and held a high regard for them as living creatures.

This knowledge and appreciation was highly important, for the manner in which they were handled under the yoke could go a long way toward determining the profit or loss on a freighting contract.

Majors was also highly successful in handling men on the trail, mainly because he himself was highly efficient in everything they were required to do. He had driven oxen day after day, cooked his own meals over a camp fire of cow-chips, slept under a wagon of night from the Missouri River to Santa Fe, borne the searing heat of summer, and the numbing cold of winter. Even when his employees numbered into the thousands every one of them respected and admired him, knew he perfectly understood their way of life, and cheerfully obeyed him. By training, inclination, and experience he was thoroughly adapted to captain the great squadrons of white topped Conestogas his firm later sent out upon the road.

In 1854 a new policy for supplying military posts west of the Missouri River was instituted. Who fathered the idea is not known. Under the old system, which had been in vogue since 1846, when such posts were few, the transportation of supplies for each was let to individuals or firms with small outfit hastily thrown together after the contract was signed. When the number of posts multiplied this system was not satisfactory to either the government or contractors because plans for wagons, bullwhackers, and oxen could not be made in advance.

Somebody suggested that a single contract for the delivery of all supplies for all the posts be made with one firm or individual for two years. In other words, give somebody a monopoly. Competitive bidding was abandoned and the quartermaster at Fort Leavenworth was instructed to make a contract with some one financially able and qualified by experience to do the job. Since individually Majors nor Russell and Waddell were not able to finance such a proposition alone they got together late in 1854 and formed the co-partnership which became effective January 1, 1855.

The details of the operation of that co-partnership and other concerns with which these men were associated need not be recited here. During the six years they held a monopoly upon supplying the military posts in the West they made a great amount of money. Unfortunately they lost it all, and much more besides.

When the crash came in 1860-61 Majors assigned everything he owned to creditors. At the age of 46 he was compelled to start life over again. He made his home in Nebraska City where he managed to get together enough wagons, oxen, and bullwhackers to continue in the freighting business.

In the fall of 1867 he moved his family to Salt Lake City where he engaged in the work of grading roadbed for the Union Pacific Railroad and furnishing telegraph poles. On May 10, 1869, he was present when the rails of the Eastern and Western divisions of the transcontinental railroad were joined at Promontory Point, Utah.

During the following ten years he made his home at various places in Utah and engaged in prospecting and mining, but without success. In 1887 he moved to Denver where Buffalo Bill Cody found him living in poverty and working upon a manuscript.

The great showman, who was then at the zenith of his popularity, took the matter in hand and in 1893 had it published under the title, "Seventy Years on the Frontier." It is said that Cody took him to his home in Nebraska where he lived for a number of years. He died in Chicago January 14, 1900, in his eighty-sixth year, and was buried in Union Cemetery, Kansas City, Missouri.

The period spanned by his life was one of the most critical in American history. He was born ten years after the Louisiana Purchase and lived to see the national boundary extended half way across the continent to the Pacific Ocean. He was fifteen years old when the first locomotive moved upon American soil, yet he witnessed the ceremony which marked the completion of the railroad which spanned the Continent.

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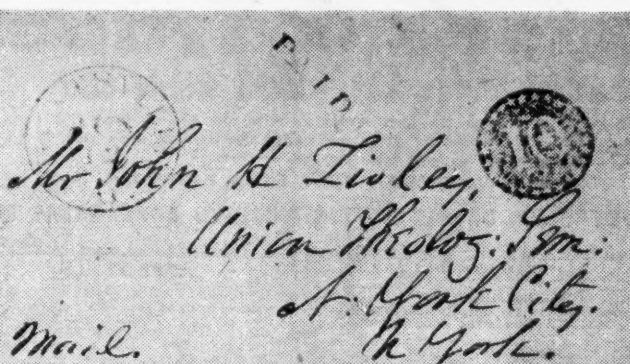
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AUSTRIA—On January 18, a single adhesive, a 1.50S. red-violet will be released portraying artist Moritz von Schwind. The stamp will be valid for postal use on January 21.

ALGERIA—A 15 franc plus 5 franc semipostal has been issued for social works of the army.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA—Two sets honoring artists have been released. On November 28, 60h and 1.20kcs. stamps were issued portraying Josef Manes, painter.

On December 4, 30h and 1.20kcs. stamps were issued honoring Vac-
lav Hollar (1607-1677) noted graphic artist and etcher.

GREECE—On January 15 a twelve value set of stamps will be placed on sale and will remain on sale until all stocks are exhausted. Featured will be ancient Greek Art.

HUNGARY—To commemorate the appearance of the Hungarian Soccer Team in England, the 2Ft. value of the Stadium set has been overprinted in black.

ISRAEL—During the next three months, new stamps, other than the additions to the coin series, will be issued. They include a 30 pruta inland rate postcard and six new airmails. Values on the airmails will be 10, 70, 110, 200, 300 and 500 prutas.

ITALY—During 1954 stamps will be issued in honor of the following: Cardinal Angelo Mai; musician Alfredo Catalini; Carlo Collodi who wrote "Pinocchio"; the 14th International Congress of Medical History and the World Gymnastics Championships. Two stamps will be issued for the 700th anniversary of Marco Polo's birth and two stamps will be issued marking television.

NEW HERM ISLAND—Five new stamps are to be released according to William Rowcroft, Jr. Pictured will be the New Herm crest and a beach view. Values are to be 4 and 8 Doubles and 2d, 6d and 1 shilling.

PARAGUAY—A set of stamps has been authorized to commemorate the trip of President Juan Peron of Argentina to Paraguay. The design will show Peron and President Chaves with flags of both countries.

A set consisting of fifteen values is to be issued soon to commemorate the Jesuit Ruins. Values will be 5c, 20c, 50c, 2.50G, 5G, 15G, and 25G, postage, and 2G, 3G, 4G, 6G, 10G, 20G, 30G, and 50G, airmail.

PHILIPPINES—The Philippines Bureau of Posts has overprinted 100,000 two-centavos postal cards "Magsaysay-Garcia Inauguration December 30, 1953."

POLAND—Following the pattern set by Czechoslovakia, this country is releasing "Russian Friendship" building stamps. An 80gr. light red, depicts the Josef Stalin University building in Moscow. A 1.75zl. blue and 2zl. dark brown feature Warsaw structures.

Stamps have also been released for ordinary and registered mail without denomination. That for ordinary registered mail is inscribed "Zwykła" and that for registered official mail is inscribed "Polecona."

During December three additional sets have been released. Four bi-colored stamps were released December 15 showing Poland's beauty; three stamps followed on December 20 devoted to win-

ter sports and three stamps were released December 30 dedicated to children's education.

SAAR—A religious stamp picturing St. Benedict conferring holy orders on St. Maurus, was released. It is 30fr plus 10fr.

UNITED NATIONS—The United Nations Postal Administration has announced its 1954 program for stamp issues. On February 11, two stamps, 3c and 8c values will be issued for the Food and Agriculture Organization; On May 10, two denominations will be issued for the International Labor Organization; on October 24, United Nations Day will be commemorated with two stamps and on December 10, two stamps will commemorate Human Rights Day.

VENEZUELA—The first week of December saw the appearance of two new post cards. One card is a 10c value in red and the other card is a 20c value in blue. The imprinted stamp bears the inscription "REPUBLIC OF VENEZUELA".

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A design common to both the 2d and 4½d values, pictures the Orange Free State coat of arms, and a quill pen and scroll symbolizing the Signing of the Bloemfontein Convention February 23, 1854.

A special postmarking device will be used for the first day of issue at the temporary post office to be opened at the festival camping site at Bloemfontein. It reproduces a post bugle of earlier days of the mail service and the inscription "Bloemfontein konvensie - Convention 1854-1954 and the date "Feb. 23".

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President Johnson suspended Stanton from office in August, 1867—restored by the U. S. Senate in January, 1868—dismissed from office by Johnson in February, 1868—refused to leave office and was sustained in his refusal by the Senate. Impeachment charges were brought against President Johnson because of the dismissal of Stanton.

Duly tried before the U. S. Senate as prescribed, President Johnson was cleared of the charges by one small vote. But that was enough, and Edwin McMasters Stanton, smart Secretary of War (but not quite smart enough) finally saw the handwriting on the wall—and resigned the job he had held for some seven odd years.

In 1869 new President U. S. Grant tried to "kick him upstairs" to the U. S. Supreme Court, but Stanton died before he could be seated.

Editors Note—It is with regret we announce that this is the last of the sketches in the "Famous Americans" series which began nearly three years ago in this paper. H. M. Brehm, the author, has covered all the persons who have appeared on United States stamps, along with some of the historical objects given design space. His many hours of research and writing in compiling this series resulted in its becoming one of the most popular features this paper has ever printed.

Mr. Brehm will be with our readers from time to time with feature articles, more than twenty-three of which have been offered over the past four years.

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Symbolic Birds On Jap Stamps

A correction of previously printed information, and a look at the mythology connected with the designs of several Japanese stamps has been supplied by Toshio Uyeno of Tokyo, Japan.



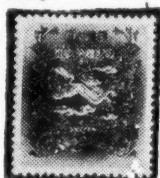
Some weeks ago this paper printed an article in which it was stated that the phoenix has appeared in several of the designs

of stamps from the land of the Rising Sun. According to Mr. Uyeno this is not so. He believes that "the author might have confounded the fabulous bird of the East called the 'ho-o', with the phoenix."

Continuing, he says, "Some people take the phoenix as the equivalent of the ho-o. But in fact the latter is quite different. The phoenix is the symbol of immortality to Western minds — another value attaches to the use of the Japanese figure."

"The ho-o is an auspicious bird conceived by the Chinese in antiquity. It is supposed that it can be seen by a sage as he ascends the throne to perform the ways of heaven. This mythical bird lives on a paulownia (a Chinese tree of the figwort family), eats the fruit of the bamboo, and drinks at the fountain of sweet water. Its feathers have five colors and its call sounds in five tones."

"In Japan ho-o is a symbol of the Imperial House. It has been depicted in various forms three of which are shown herewith. That at the top was issued for the formal nomination of the heir apparent in 1916. At the left below is the stamp for the grand ceremony of accession of 1928, and at the right a 1953 item marking the crown prince's return from a world journey."



"Another design was used in 1952 for the formal nomination of the heir apparent to the throne. It pictures an animal of good omen called 'kirin' which also had its origin in ancient Chinese lore. The belief is that the kirin has the body of a deer, the tail of a cow, the forehead of a wolf and the hooves of a horse. Other personal accessories include red eyes, a horn, and five colors of fur with that of the belly in yellow. It will not eat anything alive and will not step on any living grass. It is said to appear as a sage accedes to the throne. Therefore, it is adopted, in Japan, as a symbol of the throne."

"The Japanese in a general manner called the giraffe a kirin,

and in this sense, the kirin is a common animal. Since the giraffe is not native to Japan the only place it can be seen is in the zoological gardens. It is quite possible that the person who noted a similarity between the giraffe and the traditional kirin associated the two."

"As can be seen on the stamps, the ho-o and the kirin are often depicted together with auspicious clouds. The smoke-like thing to be seen at the neck of the ho-o on the 1953 'Return' commemo (lower right stamp) is not a feather but an auspicious cloud."

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